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MOVEMENT RESTRICTING MEMBER

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Examiner: ADDISON, Karen B

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: March 17, 2003

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is being submitted for consideration by the Examiner without any admission that it constitutes statutory prior art, or without any admission that it contains subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Further, the undersigned hereby states that the listed reference is an English counterpart of cited JP application.

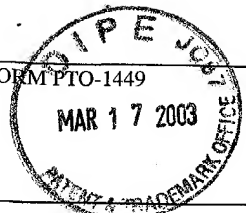
Therefore, although no fees are believed to be due at this time, it is respectfully requested that any such fees be charged to Deposit Account 50-1147. Also, the Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed references have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS
	5,081,874 (Corresponding to the cited JP reference JP-A-63-90665)	Jan. 21, 1992	Isozumi		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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